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FLYING SAUCERS - SECRET HISTORY

(PART 2)

by Tim Matthews

In order to make some progress in terms of this research it seems necessary to avoid using the standard sources - Vesco and Harbinson - even though some of their information is valid as we have seen. Other sources are equally intriguing. One source indicates that from the mid 1930s there was significant interest in both Vertical-Take Off and-Landing (VTOL) and circular wing aircraft. This led to a number of designs one of which was the Focke-Wulf VTOL.:

Professor Heinrich Focke was particularly interested in emerging helicopter and autogyro technologies and was involved in the design and production of the FW6, Fa223, Fa226, Fa283 and 284 models during the war. The creation of the jet engine encouraged him to design a propulsion system known as the "turbo-shaft" still used in most helicopters today. In 1939 he patented a saucer-type aircraft with enclosed twin rotors. This was a revolutionary development described as follows:

"The exhaust nozzle forked in two at the end of the engine and ended in two auxiliary combustion chambers located on the trailing edge of the wing. When fuel was added these combustion chambers they would act as afterburners to provide horizontal propulsion to Focke's design. The control at low speed was achieved by alternately varying the power from each auxiliary combustion chamber."

This was by no means the only circular aircraft.

Another similar aircraft was the troubled AS6 partly designed by the leading aviation expert in Germany Dr. Alexander Lippisch whose work at the Gottingen Aviation Institute was legendary and whose impact upon postwar 'UFOs' cannot be underestimated. His revolutionary "DM" series of small triangular aircraft were built and flown in conjunction with students at Darmstadt and Munich Universities (hence the DM prefix) and used rocket propulsion. The plans for these were transported to the USA after the war. His most advanced design was undoubtedly the Lippisch Supersonic Flying Wing which, although never built, strongly hinted at the triangular 'UFOs' of the 1980s and 1990s.

The information about the AS6 (V1) emerged in an article written by Hans Ebert and Hans Meier based to a certain extent upon information and a photograph provided by German aviation expert Wolfgang Spate. (Spate was the former Commander of Operational Test Unit 16 during the War and more recently recognized as a leading aviation expert. He served in the refounded postwar Luftwaffe.) The article, entitled "Prototypen - Einselchicksale deutscher Flugzeuge, Der Kreisflügler AS6 V1", was included in the respected *Luftfahrt International* in 1980. In certain respects the AS6, built by Messerschmidt, was based upon similar thinking as the Zimmerman V173 "flying flapjack" -designed for use by the US Navy from 1942. The "flying

flapjack" was *far more successful* and developed at the Chance-Vought works in Connecticut and despite its' supposed limitations was a propeller-driven aircraft designed to be flown from an aircraft carrier, hence the need for Short Take off and Landing (STOL) capability. The flapjack was able to fly at low speeds of approximately 40mph. The flight envelope was 40-425 mph and a more advanced version, the XF5U1, was also tested.

One other important feature of these circular wings was an early 'stealth' capability. The Horten brothers Reimar and Walter, known for their many successful flying wing prototypes, had developed a composite wing made of plywood held together by sawdust, charcoal and glue intended to absorb radar waves for use in their HIX model.

In 1946 Chance-Vought was using a similar technique. A skin called 'metalite' was used in one of its' circular wings. Thomas C. Smith, former President of the Woodstream Corporation and a Penn State graduate engineer at the time, reported that he had seen a 'flying saucer' (XF5U1?) taking off vertically from the Chance-Vought facilities in Stratford, Connecticut at the time and that it had used this composite. This was reported last year.

This means that the circular wing or 'flying saucer' had a limited stealth capability years before the use of Radar Absorbent Materials was considered for other advanced aircraft....

We can certainly dismiss all the nonsense so prevalent in various media on the subject of German flying saucers which relates to the development of circular-wing aircraft as the result of "occult" or "mystical" beliefs. The truth is that the circular wing was designed for technical reasons: circular and flying wing designs are inherently stronger and are easier to build.

Whilst it is likely that any information relating to the limited AS6 would have been taken by the allies for examination at a later date it would seem that there is some evidence to suggest that a more advanced jet-powered flying saucer was at least designed, if not built, from around 1943 onwards. The first source is Flight Captain Rudolph Schriever who came forward in 1950 and claimed that he had worked with a small team at facilities near Prague with a view to developing a flying saucer-type vehicle. The Schriever story first emerged in "Der Spiegel" magazine dated March 30th 1950 entitled "Untertassen-Flieger Kombination":

"A former Luftwaffe captain and aircraft designer, Rudolph Schriever, who says engineers throughout the world experimented in the early 1940s with "flying saucers" is willing to build one for the United States in six to nine months. The 40 year old Prague University graduate said he made blueprints for such a machine, which he calls a "flying top", before Germany's collapse and that the blueprints were stolen from his laboratory. He says the machine would be capable of 2,600 mph with a radius of 4,000 miles. Schriever is a US Army driver at Bremerhaven."

This is a most credible story. Schriever claimed that the model built for testing was completed in 1944 with a view to flying it in 1945. Nevertheless, the Russian advance ended any hopes of a test-flight.

A 1975 *Luftfahrt International* report took these claims seriously and noted that after Schriever's death in the late 1950s papers found amongst his belongings had included technical drawings of a flying saucer.

Schriever seemed to argue that although a saucer had existed it had not flown. This is contradicted by a possible eyewitness, George Klein.

He claimed after the war in an interview, given on November 18th 1954 to the Zurich-based "Tages Anzeiger", that he had actually seen a flying saucer test on 14th February 1945 and that the craft had performed remarkably well reaching an altitude of 30,000ft in 3 minutes as well as a high speed of hundreds of miles and hour. Despite the fact that subsequent information leads us to conclude that a jet-powered flying disc was developed at the end of the war Klein spoke of a "ray-guided disc". Despite this fanciful claim some of the things he said made more sense. For instance, he claimed that some of the work on the flying saucers had taken place at Pennemunde. Pennemunde was of course the focal point for the development of the A4/V2 rocket. Interestingly, Klein also claimed that the necessary stability for the saucer had been attained through the use of a gyroscope. This is exactly the method used in the later German rockets developed by the Von Braun/Dornberger team. What is more, the entire rocket effort moved to the Mittlewerke underground facilities near Nordhausen in the Harz Mountains. It is claimed, by several other witnesses, that a flying saucer was tested in the vicinity of Kahla In Thuringia in early 1945.

The evidence presented above seems to have been taken seriously not only by mainstream magazines and national newspapers in the 1950s but also by the author of "Brighter Than A Thousand Suns", Robert Jungk. This is an authoritative and historical account of the development of the Atomic Bomb written by a respected author. The book itself, still available and published by Harcourt and Brace, received critical acclaim from Bertrand Russell, amongst others. A section of text on page 87 of the paperback edition states:

*"The indifference of Hitler and those about him to research in natural sciences amounted to positive hostility. **"*

The accompanying footnote reads as follows:

***The only exception to the lack of interest shown by authority was constituted by the Air Ministry [Reichs Luftfahrt Ministerium or RLM, TM]. The Air Force research workers were in a peculiar position. They produced interesting new types such as the Delta [Lippisch and Horten, TM] ..and flying discs. The first of these "flying saucers", as they were later called - circular in shape, with a diameter of some 45 yards - were built by the specialists Schriever, Habermohl and Miethe. They were first airborne on February 14th 1945, over Prague and reached in three minutes a height of nearly eight miles. They had a speed of 1250mph which was doubled in subsequent tests. It is believed that Habermohl fell into the hands of the Russians.*

Miethe developed at a later date similar "flying saucers" at A.V. Roe and Company for the United States".

This use of the original Schriever story is interesting if only because the author felt that the information was good and warranted exposure. Given the nature of the book, we might well ask whether the author had any other information that supported the claims made as to the characteristics of the circular aircraft. It is up to the reader to decide whether these claims make any sense at all and more importantly, how this might affect our understanding of flying saucer history.....

Until recently, it would have been rather safer and perhaps more sensible to argue that although various prototype saucers existed in whatever form they were never tested. Safety is often the best policy given the shark infested waters of modern-day UFO research. However, thanks to three years of painstaking research by UK astronomy, aviation and photographic expert Bill Rose which included on-site research in Germany, Canada and America we now know a great deal more. Initially Rose felt, like many skeptics, that the evidence for German flying saucer (and UFO) reality was very shaky.

Nevertheless, and without reference to the UFO community in his personal quest for the truth, he was able to use his expert technical knowledge to follow up leads and to make significant progress.

First of all he was able to discover that Dr. Walter Miethe, whom all sources agree was involved with Schriever, Klaus Habermohl and Giuseppe Belluzzo (an Italian engineer) had been the Director of the saucer programme at two facilities located outside Prague. In May 1945, after testing of the prototype had taken place, both Miethe and Schriever were able to flee in the direction of Allied forces. Habermohl was captured by Soviet forces and spirited East where he ended up working on various aviation projects quite probably at facilities located outside Moscow.

It would seem that Klaus Habermohl was the man who developed the radial-flow jet engine, described in various articles as a system of "adjustable" nozzles, of great significance just ten years later. (Radial-flow allowed for VTOL performance and used the little-known "Coanda" effect.) Rose learned that not only had test flights taken place but that film footage of these had been taken. This had always been rumoured and makes perfect sense given the nazi fetish for keeping records on everything. The footage, of good quality, has subsequently been stored in a secure location and shown only to a handful of people. Rose was shown some stills taken from the original film and given his expert photo-technical background concluded, after careful consideration, that this was probably real and historical footage. He calculated that the craft was around half the size claimed in Klein's report. The saucer, rather less contoured and sleek than postwar artists' impressions might suggest (and unlike Bob Lazar's S4 "Sports Model"!), was perhaps 75ft in diameter. The saucer was shown in flight above the runway over the heads of a couple of observers.

Although this is in itself of the greatest significance other more contradictory evidence has emerged. One of the people that Rose met had good information about the February test flight and was able to confirm that several people had seen the

test-flight - as we might expect. It was said that Schriever himself had piloted the test craft. This does seem sensible (and logical) given Schriever's background in the Luftwaffe - although it is at variance with his own account. One can only speculate as to why this may be. It should be pointed out that the performance characteristics of this jet-powered aircraft have probably been exaggerated and although it might have been technically possible given further research and development to approach supersonic speeds, this was almost certainly not achieved in February 1945. Finally, it seems as if Klein himself was centrally involved in the saucer project and may indeed have had responsibilities for procurement.

We know a little more about Dr. Miethe. One of the important pieces of information came in the form of a rare group photograph showing various young German scientists in 1933. The photograph shows Werner von Braun and Walter Miethe. It would seem that these two knew each other well. During the War various lists of "wanted" German scientists were drawn up. One of these was the "Black List" used by Counter Intelligence Corps and Combined Allied Field Teams (CAFT) as they moved through Germany from 1944 in order to help them get hold of the important scientific personnel.

Dr. von Braun was certainly at the top of the list and if Miethe and he were old friends and had cooperated on early rocket projects, there is little doubt that Miethe would have been a target too. Nevertheless, his work near Prague put him out of reach and only through Miethe's own efforts did the allied teams get their hands on him.....

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LETTERS PAGE LETTERS PAGE LETTERS PAGE

Here at YUFOS, we not receive a great deal of letters other than requests for information about the group, but when we do, it's usually a good 'un. Like the one below...

*"Soon God's Kingdom will come to earth to bring His will to pass
(Matthew: 9,10 Psalm 45:6, Isaiah 9:6,7, 2:3)*

*He will start a programme of turning the earth into a paradise
(Revelations 20:6, 21:2-4)*

*People suffering sickness will be cured under Kingdom
rule, and the dead raised to join loved ones in a
paradise earth. (John 10: 27,28, 11:25,26 Acts 7:60,
Job 33:25-28)*

*If you would like to know how God's Kingdom
can help you please write to The Watchtower,
The Ridgeway, London, NW7 1RN "*

At least they didn't get me out of the bath!

NEW WRINKLES EMERGE IN NORTH SEA UFO CASE

(UFO ROUNDUP Volume 3, Number 22 May 31, 1998 Editor: Joseph Trainor)

At the end of April, the Daily Telegraph and the Daily Mail of London reported that a giant UFO had been chased over the North Sea by British and Dutch jet interceptors. Although the RAF Press Office and the Dutch ufology group A.U.R.A. disputed the claim, new information is emerging in this controversial case.

According to the British newspapers, the RAF radar station at Fylingdales, North Yorkshire picked up a giant UFO "the size of a battleship. (900 feet long) over the North Sea. An RAF jet squadron was scrambled to intercept. At the same time, two F-16 jet interceptors of the Nederlandse Luchtmacht (Netherlands Air Force) took off and caught sight of the giant UFO over the North Sea. The UFO eluded the Dutch jets and streaked away at an estimated 24,000 miles per hour. No date was given for this alleged encounter.

Around May 15, 1998, however, the newspaper Tipperary Star of Tipperary, Eire reported that a local Irish couple claimed to have seen a giant UFO of the same description as the North Sea object on February 28.

"A couple, described as highly respected members of the community, told the newspaper (Tipperary Star) that they saw an object in the sky between Derrynaflan and Killenale on the night of February 28." "Because they did not want to be ridiculed, and be the butt of local jokes, they decided to remain silent about their experience. But after they heard a description of the object seen over the North Sea, they decided to come forward because their UFO was identical." "They said they clearly saw the UFO hovering at what appeared to be about 400 feet above the ground. The ship was approximately 250 feet wide and 100 feet high. It had lights, three on one side and two on the other, and had panels with vertical lines through them as distinct from windows... There was no sound at all from the object, which, at first, moved very slowly but then accelerated so fast that it disappeared in an instant." (See the Munster Express for May 22, 1998)

In the Netherlands, hosts Ivo Westerlaken and Theo Pajmans of the radio talk show Dossier X have made their own inquiries into the North Sea case. According to Westerlaken, the Nederlandse Luchtmacht "did do an internal investigation of the radar sites" but "they claimed to have found nothing out of the ordinary, but when we asked for a report on their initial investigation, they told us it had been destroyed."

The Dossier X team "researched the purported UFO incident over the North Sea much more fully than A.U.R.A.," Westerlaken writes, "but for the first time in UFO history in the Netherlands, we were confronted with angry spokespersons... Nobody wanted to say anything officially."

Serious research in the Netherlands has been set back for months, if not years. (Email Correspondence of May 14, 1998)

JOHN CARPENTER

on the UNITED KINGDOM UFO NETWORK IRC

(John S. Carpenter earned a Bachelor of Arts in Psychology as well as a Masters in Social Work in the 1970's. He has been trained in Clinical Hypnosis at the Menninger Clinic in Kansas. He has been providing therapy for a wide variety of psychiatric disorders and marital & family problems for 19 years. He began studying UFOs at age 8 and officially began investigations, 10 years ago. He has received over 120 cases of alleged UFO abductions and performed hypnotherapy sessions to gather data. He lectures nation-wide and overseas, describing incredible patterns of similarity among the data. He has appeared on TV and in documentaries as well as on radio and in magazines world-wide. He presented six papers at the prestigious M.I.T. conference in 1992. He writes an international column for the MUFON Journal and has been MUFON's Director of Abduction Research for the past 7 years.)

<Nessus> As a regression therapist/ufologist, what do you make of Budd Hopkins case "The Brooklyn Bridge Abduction" with *Linda Cortile*

Well, I know Budd very well and have also met Linda several times. It is an incredible story with much documentation and will stand as an excellent case for years to come. For many it may be too much to swallow, but I think Budd has done a very careful and intelligent investigation with ample verification in various ways.

<Dave_UFO> How accurate do you think hypnotism is & how 'safe' is it?

This is a great question. Hypnosis is only as good as the person using it because some are very pushy, asking leading questions, and making strong suggestions which could sway the data. However, I deliberately ask leading questions in an investigative manner toward logical answers and actually away from the more bizarre abduction data. Interestingly, all subjects stick to their accounts and know what they have felt, seen, and believed.

<Bookfndr> Tell us a little of the background of the 'face in the window' story?

I have a case in rural Missouri in which an anomalous image floats up into the view of a picture window -- out in the middle of nowhere on a February cold night in 1992. Nobody actually saw the "face" at the time but a video camera -- which was being handled quite unprofessionally just happened to catch it when nobody was looking. The face floats eerily into view and then away just 3 seconds later. A "killer" Rotweiler was guarding the yard; neighbouring dogs were barking wildly. No footprints. 4 days later, an orange sphere was sighted at dawn in the west over their pasture. This family wanted no publicity and sat on the video clip for 3 months before a relative insisted they release it to someone in authority. The FBI and Air Force laughed. I was the third one they called. It stills give me a chill when I watch it. It was shown on "Strange Universe" last year.

<SickBoy> Assuming that a patient hasn't physically been abducted, but suspects that they have. Also their life might be in a mess as well. Do you think that it's beneficial for their mental health if they falsely remember an abduction, if this false memory gives them something to blame for their turmoil?

Good question... First of all, this has not really happened. The abduction scenario beyond what is shown on TV is quite bizarre with many unpublished details. We would have a pretty good idea if it was confabulated. People may not realise how many details are collected. People would not typically lean toward such a bizarre "explanation" for their problems but I know that some may try to. What they find is that people don't believe the abduction scenario either!

<Nessus> John do you think that the Betty and Barney Hill was the first abduction case?

No. We know that it is not. All of the major researchers have at least one case prior to 1961. I have one from the fifties. Budd Hopkins and Dave Jacobs have some from the 1940's and 1930's. We have strong suggestion that abductions occurred throughout past centuries also...

<Ros> What background info do you gather on your clients before you do a session, i.e. have you a check list of questions you ask first? Do you show them a list of pictures of aliens? (reason being that is what happened to me)

I send out a screening form which is a combination of an investigative UFO form and a psychiatric social history. Asked are questions about sightings, landings, beings, marks, etc (obvious) as well as what movies, books, hobbies, beliefs the person has what they want, what they expect, what they need, feel, hope for, etc lots of stuff. About 50% never return the form or follow through. Those that do are usually more serious, plus I know a great deal about them before I ever meet them face to face.

<Crow> What case do you think is the most credible of all UFO cases and why?

That is hard because there are many for all different reasons. In regards to abductions, Budd's two books, *INTRUDERS* and *WITNESSED* are excellent cases. Also, the Kelly Cahill case in Australia is great because it involved three simultaneously in a "parallel abduction!" This case also had matching physical marks on all the bodies (people had never met) and ground traces plus a magnetic anomaly recorded in the field with a magnetometer!!

<Nessus> John do you think that some people have not been abducted even though they are convinced they are, and visa versa?

YES.

<SickBoy> As a psychologist who knows quite a bit about ways in which people delude themselves, have you ever thought that you might be doing it to yourself? What convinced you that you weren't?

I see myself as a data collector with no firm belief or slant to the whole phenomena. continuing.....People who delude themselves do not do so in such a matching and bizarre manner down to the tiniest of details. It is the correlating pattern of matching

data over thousands of cases that is so impressive. Any one that I know who looks at all of this is similarly impressed not deluded.

<Ros> Do you practice any one technique of hypnosis, or different ones?

Regarding hypnotic techniques, I individualise every session based on the personality and comfort level of each subject. Some require much more trust and relaxation: others are angry and eager to find out whatever they can. So I utilise various techniques, always tuning into that individual uniquely.

<TopGun_> Have you ever had cases, in which the "victims" said they were abducted, but weren't? And how did you find out, if?

Very few people come to me stating that they were abducted. Most do not know what happened and are open to whatever we learn together. I do not know of anyone who was glad that they were abducted. Some were suspicious and curious; we learned that nothing happened via hypnosis and they were relieved.

<Janitor> Do you have any personal theory about the agenda of non human intelligence's?

Regarding the Grey types, it is obvious that they are engaged in a hybridisation program among other things. I do not believe -- as in David Jacob's book *THE THREAT* that an imminent "take-over" is at hand. In fact, I believe that visitations have been occurring since the beginning of our history ---in fact, they may have put us here! The connection with angels is not so crazy. However, I am confused still as to "who's in charge."

<SickBoy> Susan Blackmore has said that out of body experiences in many people are so similar because people have similar brains. She has also hinted that this might explain the similarities in abduction experiences. What do you think?

Don't think it explains ANYTHING.

<Rimmer> Do you think the US Government is able to make UFOs? And if so do you think they can make them look like something people would identify as an UFOs?

YES...today.....but not back in the 30's, 40's, 50's, or even 60's... when thousands of high speed, erratically manoeuvring crafts were seen.

<SickBoy> The British Medical Association recently stated that they think that regression techniques are dangerous as there is no way of telling the difference between memory and fantasy. How come you think differently, shouldn't you err on the side of caution and stop using it?

I should mention a very important aspect of my research that helps me with that very question. Multiple participant cases are ones (like Betty & Barney Hill) in which two or more persons are simultaneously abducted. In these cases, the validity of hypnosis is directly challenged as both are separately being interviewed, "tricked", misled on purpose, challenged on tiny details, and yet....they produce incredibly alike accounts with details matching that neither could have known about because of confidential

aspects or never having been published. It is especially great when they are able to recall seeing each other aboard the craft and accurately recall what either was doing at any given moment in time. This is well beyond chance or fantasy or false memory. They are amazed themselves yet it confirms in a correlation manner that something indeed happened.

<moonhead> What do you think the aliens are trying to achieve by carrying out these abductions?

1. Hybridization 2) Planetary awareness 3) guidance... 4) emotional testing and 5) spiritual growth. JSC

<sickboy> John it is clear that the Hills saw the planet Jupiter and not a UFO! Betty was having dreams and discussed them with her husband so it's not surprising that when they went to a regressionist 6 months later that Barney's 'memories' were identical. Also do you believe that Betty remembered the star chart from a single glimpse?

They did not see the planet Jupiter because their object was seen and tracked on radar -- something you cannot do with the planet Jupiter. She suffered two years of unsettling dreams, etc. You need to check your facts on this case. Their memories were quite emotional and traumatic, if you had heard these tapes, and hardly the causation of her telling him her dreams. It also is significant that all of their data also matches cases from today who had never heard of Betty and Barney Hill.

<UFO-conta> What do you mean by "Planetary awareness"? Do you mean that they want us to get conscious of that we are not alone?

No., Environmental awareness vs. how to make a new weapon, kindness to animals and helping preserve their species and kindness and more understanding for our fellow man.

<pathFINDER> What's the most startling pattern you have discovered through hypnotic regression and the modern abduction phenomena?

Communication has been telepathic in 99% of cases world-wide. This is an incredibly high statistic when one considers all the possible variations that fantasy, hoaxing, and confabulation could create. That is just one example.

<Rimmer> Why do you think it is that there is far more UFO activity, UFO sightings etc in the USA then here in Europe (Holland)

There isn't more in the USA...just more people willing to report them. We find that when we put a researcher anywhere in the world and that country is willing to report such bizarre accounts, that we get all the same kinds of data.

<Crow-> Hi John, What do you think of Derrel Simms implants do you think he's really onto something there or not?

I just talked with Dr. Roger Leibr, who performed the surgeries on most of Mr. Simms' cases, and he reported that approximately 7 of the implants were exactly

alike, even though they were from completely independent cases. More information and study will continue to come forth on these new developments.

<UFO-conta> Have you handled cases where abductees are returned to "the wrong place", i.e. on a road or on a field somewhere? Why do you think they are not returned to the right place. As in these cases?

Yes. I have had this happen many times. Call it stupidity (grin). It also provides a humorous form of evidence, esp. when people are outside of locked homes, or on the top of a cliff in their car with no tracks leading there.

<Gandalf> Have you ever heard of someone who got "free" from abductions? as it seems to me that once you are an abductee you never get "out" again

Many women have their abductions end with the onset of menopause. The typical ages for either male or female are most frequent between 12 and 45.

<Ros> How do you deal with experiences involving missing time?

First of all, I have them write a written narrative of all the possible conscious details that they can recall. Secondly, I will interview them and again ask them to recall all of their conscious recollections, then if their story still remains consistent and void of obvious explanation, I will use hypnosis to take them to the point of amnesia, using every possible sensory input and see if I can help them recall the very next detail of any kind, esp. involving all the senses because sometimes they remember a sound or a smell when the visual elements are too terrifying to recall. This works well, and once the amnesia is broken, they can flow fairly easily as they build on each remembered detail as it comes. It would be like talking with someone and something triggers a recollection of a dream from the night before, which one had completely forgotten until somebody triggers the subconscious with a key word or visual cue.

<Ros> You answered earlier about UFOs being interdimensional. With that in mind, have you come across anyone who has had to deal with two separate individual visitations before? Maybe one on-going and another a recent grey type encounter.

I have had cases in which two or more types of beings have encountered the individual. They had many alien types on their dance card.

<SickBoy> Why do you think that most psychologists believe that abductions are all in the mind?

Simply because they have not studied or experienced the investigations of alleged abductions. Most who do are very impressed, but unsure of what to do next. I see myself as a data collector toward providing information which may help to solve this mystery. The process of investigation is therapeutic quite often, but I rarely provide any form of ongoing therapy. I will refer them to support groups or support persons and that is extremely beneficial.

<pathFINDER> Do you or your colleagues believe that the Celtic faerie faith has direct counterpart with the modern phenomena?

Yes. I have studied fairy folklore closely and found cases of abduction by fairies to be extremely similar, even with the accompaniment of balls of light, which were called fairy lights, and the hybridisation that occurred which produced "changelings." Much more on that in my video, "Centuries of Contact."

<Ros> How far back have you traced cases. Is there a link between the case and a family history of it? What about future generations from then on?

We have traced back at least four generations in a number of cases across all the researchers. It seems clear that when someone is involved with abductions that family members from every generation prior and afterward are involved. This is a highly correlated statistic, and impressive in that it shows that they have an interest in a particular genetic line, and may be studying us in a proper longitudinal study.

<Rainey> John, now that you have been more or less researching professionally for a number of years, have you changed your mind about anything or formulated any "hard and fast" opinions that you did not have before?

Good question.... I am just more certain--more than ever, that this is a very real and eventually verifiable phenomenon that is well beyond fantasy, false memories, sleep paralysis, hoaxing, psychiatric disorder, etc. I am very impressed with the mountain of credible evidence and wonderful normal persons who have found themselves unwillingly involved in these matters. The more I learned, the more I am convinced that these matters are real, but not to be feared or worried about. Sometimes I feel like we are the ants in the ant farm who looked up and suddenly realised, despite their creation, that they are "not alone." Thank you all for this wonderful evening of intelligent questions and you can write to me at any time at Thank you again.



"We saw nothing. Do you understand? Nothing! First of all, no one would believe us. Second, I've got dibs on his golf clubs."

IN MY OPINION

UFOs - WILL ALL EVER BE REVEALED?

by Andrew Ashmore

Taking the scenario that the main governments of the world are not only aware of this phenomenon, but know more about the subject than we give them credit for, do we really believe that they would inform us of their findings? Indeed why should they? After all, look at all the other doings that they keep from our knowledge. There is only so much information that they can disburse to us before we start to question their motives behind their actions.

It has only been uncovered in recent years about the Americans testing the effects of chemicals on humans by pumping chemicals out of unmarked cars in busy city streets during the 1950s.

But going back to our original question of will our powers-that-be ever acquaint us with the information that we have been trying to acquire for these many years - well, why should they? Is it really important that the human race is made aware of what our top people know about this topic, if indeed they really know any more than us.

The position of government is not - as some people believe - to carry out the wishes of the public by which they were elected, but to control that electorate by any means it can. But why?

There are a variety of reasons for this to take place, but what about UFOs? What is the danger of letting us - the people- know about the finer points of something that is probably a lot more advanced than ourselves? Maybe it would be a new sort of religion that we would take guidance from instead of our failing world leaders. After all, the human race has always looked up to others to show them the way in their belief and morals. But alas - the church as we know it has become just like the next person, with all their corrupt ways. How many of us have heard of a vicar interfering with choirboys or lifting his cassock with a married member of his congregation. (*YUFOS meets 'Jerry Springer'.....steady on Andy! - Ed.*)

Mankind needs a new direction to follow, free from crookedness and self-interest. But why would the phenomena of UFOs be appropriate to us?

Well for a start it does not prejudice one set of insitutes from another. Black or white, Moslem or Jew, Catholic or Anglican. It crosses all boundaries and in it's own way unites us all. Is this indeed just what the peoples of the world have been searching for -one belief to coalesce the human race and eradicate the differences that can bigot our views about others?

Which gets back to the point of whether we will ever be told of the truth behind this subject, assuming that it involves extra-terrestrial involvement. The fact is that as far as being controlled by governments goes, it would seem that they are losing their

jurisdiction over us. Multi-national companies are dominating the way our leaders administer everything from laws to the way we think.

Talking of law, a new breed of anarchy seems to be setting in to public life. Law and Order seems to be becoming less significant amongst a growing band of insubordinate members of our society. In short, our leaders have started to lose authority over us, which is all their job is really about.

Barring a police-state, what the governments are probably realising is that we all need a good kick in the teeth- a shock to make us forget our differences and to realise that there is something bigger out there than ourselves, like religion used to make us think. The thing is, would they be brave enough to enlighten us all? Would it not have terrible consequences like panic and hysteria?

The only trouble is going on the lack of reticence they have over us at the moment they may not have any other option but to inform us all.

***** NEXT MEETING *****

Tuesday 14th July, 7:00 - 10:00

The Three Cranes Public House

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ERIC MORRIS - 'MEN IN BLACK'

Tuesday 11th August

Rory Lushman (PHUFON)

Dr. Steven Greer's Update On CSETI Project Starlight

For over four and one half years, CSETI has been diligently implementing a strategic plan to effect a disclosure on the UFO/ETI subject. Recent misinformation and disinformation regarding this process which has appeared on the Internet and elsewhere necessitates a reiteration of that strategic plan and an update on the process.

In the summer of 1993, a group of CSETI advisors and military consultants met to discuss how to best develop a reliable point of contact (POC) to the US government. This was felt necessary after a number of CSETI CE-5 encounter incidents had occurred which resulted in team members expressing concerns about covert attempts to interfere with the CE-5 diplomatic initiative. It was felt a reliable POC was needed for communication and briefing purposes, thus reducing the likelihood of an undesired outcome or event.

Ultimately it was decided that we should pursue various POCs within the Executive Branch of the US government and the military and to approach congressional leadership at a later point in the process.

A strategic plan was devised to 1) collect and identify the Best Available Evidence related to UFOs/ETI; 2) identify top-secret military and intelligence witnesses to the matter who were willing to come forward and disclose what they knew; 3) create a team of briefers and advisors to Executive Branch officials and military officials who would conduct briefings and recommend near-term disclosure of the subject and the end to secrecy related to the subject.

By September of 1993 this plan was in action, and with the assistance of a senior official at the Joint Chiefs of Staff, a meeting was set up at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base with the top-secret Foreign Aerospace Science and Technology Centre located there (this had previously been the Foreign Technology Centre to which the 1940's New Mexico UFO crash remains had been sent; it is now called the National Air Intelligence Centre -NAIC). The discussions at Wright-Patterson AFB were cordial and constructive.

Eventually, a number of consultants became involved with the briefing and disclosure process, including national security think tank heads, friends of the President and others. Continued networking resulted in briefings for senior Clinton Administration officials, including CIA Director James Woolsey.

During these briefings, we recommended decisive government action to end the secrecy surrounding this subject and that the Administration should work to disclose substantial facts about the UFO/ETI issue as soon as possible. In the materials provided for senior White House, CIA, DOD and other officials we set out the rationale for the timeliness of this disclosure and the dangers associated with continued secrecy. We also clearly stated in writing that if the government did not co-ordinate this disclosure, that we would bypass the government and work to disclose these secrets unilaterally. However, we made it clear that it was in the nation's (and world's) best interest to have so weighty a matter disclosed co-operatively by the government.

Unfortunately, very senior Executive Branch officials, including the CIA Director, senior Presidential advisors and Pentagon officials found it difficult to penetrate the ultra-secret black' programs dealing with this subject. As CIA Director Woolsey pointed out to me, they cannot disclose what they do not know or have access to.

It is now a matter of public record that Assistant Attorney General and close Presidential friend Webster Hubbell had been asked officially by the President to look into the UFO issue (see Hubbell's book *Friends in High Places*). Hubbell stated that they were not satisfied with the answers they were getting from NORAD and elsewhere. It is disturbing to think that the President - our Commander-in-Chief - and his inner circle may not have high enough clearances to be briefed fully on this matter...

After a period of extensive briefings for U.S. foreign and UN leaders, it became obvious that 1) these leaders were deliberately being kept in the dark on the subject and 2) that they did not possess the courage or political will to take on the covert apparatus managing the UFO/ETI matter. In fact, they were visibly shaken by the situation.

As more and more top-secret witnesses, documents and other evidence was identified, it became clear that - unless a Presidential executive order effectively ended the secrecy and resulted in disclosure - that our next best option would be to identify a member of congress who would call for and hold open congressional hearings on the subject.

At this point, a number of old wags in the UFO subculture stated that we should just come forward with what we knew, identify the top-secret witnesses and let it all come out. This facile strategic recommendation overlooked three major problems:

1. The foundation of the disclosure process is the pool of dozens of top-secret military and intelligence witnesses to unambiguous UFO/ET events and programs. These courageous witnesses have asked for a safe, effective and official means of coming out with their testimony, if at all possible. CSETI felt a moral responsibility to vigorously pursue an officially sanctioned venue for so momentous a disclosure, if at all feasible. To this end, CSETI has - for 4 years - attempted to secure the highest, safest official venue possible for this disclosure. These courageous military witnesses have asked this of us, and we have faithfully pursued that request. Some of these witnesses are in fear for their lives; others fear other sanctions and punishment. All of them would prefer to come forward in an official setting, freed from the restraints of their national security oaths etc.

2. The disclosure of the reality of UFOs and ETI is no small matter. Neither the CSETI leadership nor our witnesses wanted to appear to be upstaging the US government, the UN or other concerned governments. It was imperative that we make good-faith efforts to get our national and world leaders to deal with this subject officially, prior to a unilateral privatised disclosure. The implications of such a disclosure are so vast and so profound that only a very reckless person or group would attempt to effect this disclosure without first offering to work co-operatively with our governments. We have assiduously created a paper trail which fully documents these efforts, lest we later be accused of disclosing the ultimate secret without first consulting with the government. While this process has been in turns tedious, rewarding, exasperating, expensive and time-consuming, we are certain that it was the right thing to do.

3) In the absence of significant funding for a privatised disclosure, the best and most cost-effective way to achieve this goal was to convince the government or the Congress to take on this task. A congressional hearing, obviously, would be funded by the Congress. A private disclosure will need to be funded by - who? Those who think that you simply hold a press conference with the witnesses (arranging that - including flying into one place, lodging etc. dozens of witnesses- would alone cost tens of thousands of dollars, if not hundreds of thousands) have never dealt with big media on this subject. We are not willing to expose these witnesses unless it is strategically effective. There is no point in taking such risks unless there is a reasonable likelihood that the status quo will be changed. To privately see that this is the case -with no support of congress or the government - will be a very complex and expensive undertaking, far outside the resources of the UFO community at this time (or at any time in the past).

In light of the above, from 1995-1997 CSETI pursued a number of briefings with members of Congress. One year ago, on April 9, 1997, we convened the historic CSETI briefings for members of Congress, White House figures and senior military figures, among others (see the CSETI Report on the DC Briefings). Since April of 1997, we have continued to provide briefings and recommended to key congressional committee chairmen that open hearings be convened as soon as practical. Hundreds if not thousands of CSETI supporters have written these key congressional leaders recommending open hearings on the UFO/ETI subject.

I have personally met with numerous members of Congress. Key committee chairmen have been fully briefed and given unambiguous evidence and top-secret witness testimony, in person and on videotape. And everyone is tossing this hot potato to someone else's committee. Not unlike the refrain Not In My Backyard, it appears our leaders are saying Not In My Committee.

To recap, we have over the past four and a half years assiduously fulfilled a strategy to identify the best scientific evidence and government witnesses, brief and advise world leaders, members of Congress, the Pentagon, the UN and others and have fully documented this process. We have done everything humanly possible, at immense cost in funds, time and human life, to see that this process was done properly. In good faith to our witnesses we took no shortcuts and have consistently asked the President, the Congress and others to allow this disclosure to take place officially and safely through proper channels.

While we are willing to continue to brief members of Congress, Pentagon leaders and other government leaders when called upon, and while we still prefer official government involvement in this disclosure, the time has come to begin these disclosures without the government. We cannot allow this process to be delayed indefinitely by bureaucrats or timid politician who will not take on this responsibility. The opportunity has been offered to them, and we continue to offer our Cupertino should Congress or the President decide to do the right thing and become involved in this disclosure process.

Ultimately, however, the time comes when closure is needed regarding the government briefing process, and we the people should exert our rights to free speech and come forward with the truth as we have found it.

Without the cover of a Congressional subpoena, many witnesses may be reluctant to step forward. However, we know that the most courageous and resolute government witnesses will come forward with us, independent of the government. They, more than we, are weary of the excessive secrecy and ridiculing which surrounds this subject. With these courageous witnesses, we will come forward with a privatised, civilian led program to disclose the truth of this subject, in the most credible, highest and most effective manner possible.

This will consist of a world news conference, multi-part prime time expose documentary series, compendium books and a world scientific summit. This process, once begun, must be relentless, high quality, serious and thorough.

Ironically, numerous members of Congress, White House staff, and very senior Joint Chiefs of Staff personnel have recommended that we bypass the government altogether and come forward with the evidence and witnesses. Of course, this is somewhat self-serving, since it gets them off the hook and ignores the fact that many of our best witnesses will not come forward without officially sanctioned approval and immunity from prosecution for violating national security regulations. Nevertheless, after four and half years of thorough strategic implementation, the time has come to see that the truth comes out via a civilian, privatised multi-media process. And we have been told by members of Congress that once this happens, the likelihood of open Congressional hearings will be significantly enhanced.

These are the cross-roads at which we find ourselves: The Congress, like Caesars's Senate, pursues trivialities while Rome burns, and the main stream news media regards the pursuit of sexual peccadillos as the summit of investigative reporting. How tragic.

Meanwhile, it is left to the people to resolve one of the most important issues of our time: That we are not alone, that intelligent life is visiting this planet, and that a cabal of covert programs and entities are hiding the truth from our leaders and from the people. And the means for generating immense amounts of pollution-free energy is hidden away in black projects, while the earth's geophysical equilibrium is increasingly upset.

I suggest we move on.

Steven M. Greer M.D. Director of CSETI www.cseti.org

RENDELSHAM UNRAVELLED -NOT!

by Georgina Bruni, UFO-UPDATES

Ufologists waited in anticipation when armchair researcher, James Easton announced through the Internet that he was about to disclose new information that would seriously question the Rendlesham Forest UFO witness statements.

When his paper, titled "Rendlesham Unravelling" was posted to all and sundry, it turned out to be "not quite" what some had expected. Whilst Easton has done a good job in bringing his findings to the public forum, it is felt that he has not disclosed the full facts, but instead has drifted into more of a negative approach.

Using one of the original "Rendlesham" researchers as back up, namely, Jenny Randles, to verify his case, certainly helped to promote it, but it hasn't amused Ms Randles. She quotes:

"My principle concern, whilst I applaud equally James Easton's attempts to solve this case, is that I feel he has been misrepresenting me."

This well known incident that allegedly took place during the last week of December 1980, involving RAF (US) bases, Woodbridge and Bentwaters, has baffled the media and ufologists for more than eighteen years. The question is - did US military personnel stationed at the bases - witness UFO landings in Rendlesham forest during the last week of December 1980 -or not?

According to a Freedom of Information document "The Halt Memo", released to American researchers in 1984 - something highly unusual definitely occurred.

Ufologists are also in possession of an audio recording of one of the alleged incidents, whereby the (then) Lt Colonel Charles Halt and several patrolmen were apparently out in the forest chasing unexplained lights.

Easton seems to have been instrumental in obtaining what he calls "the unpublished original witness statements" (some unsigned and undated) written by personnel.

Burroughs, Penniston, Cabansag and others, which apparently proves that what they were really chasing that night was probably the Orford lighthouse.

Considering that the aforementioned witnesses have claimed that they saw much more than the said lighthouse - including what appeared to be an unidentified triangular craft - this was big news.

Sceptic, Ian Ridpath informs via e-mail:

'James Easton has now found contemporary documents that the airmen and Charles Halt knew the flashing light they were chasing was the lighthouse all along....they admit they eventually did manage to identify the light.

Ridpath is jumping ahead as usual. Has anyone confirmed this with the witnesses?

Says Jenny Randles. "Right from the beginning, Burroughs and Penniston had always insisted that their statements were not the full story and were watered down. James Easton's paper does pose serious questions that have yet to be answered by the principal witnesses. There's also the facts about the witness statements which I explained to him, but that do not appear in his paper.

So why didn't he mention this in his paper?

When I alerted Colonel (Ret) Charles Halt to the fact that Easton had been provided with these statements, he was most alarmed and replied:

"How did he get them, I'm the only one who has those statements."

So who leaked these statements out? Charles Halt may have the answer to that because Easton apparently has stated that they contain Halt's hand written notes. The originals did indeed contain a hand written note on one of the statements, namely Cabansag's, in which Halt writes: that he doesn't think that he (Cabansag) is telling the full story.

Why has Easton failed to mention this vital piece of information?

Another witness that Easton produces is Chris Arnold who claims he was the one who made the report to the Suffolk Constabulary. That may well be genuine. However, Chris Arnold, in letters to British researchers Crow & Raine, dated July 1997, writes that he was on duty at the time of one of the incidents, and in fact, claims that he was involved in what he calls "a non event". He accuses the witnesses, including Halt, of well and truly "snookering" everyone. Were it not for the sarcastic nonsensical writings which clearly prove his dislike for the witnesses in question, and his complaining about them making headlines and money out of the incident - one might pay some attention to Arnold. But, according to Charles Halt, Arnold is not a credible witness, and apparently he really disliked Penniston. Halt confirmed that Arnold was at the Woodbridge base that night, but insists he was NOT involved in the incident.

Why didn't Easton mention the Arnold letters in his paper?

Strange that such a "non event" would prompt the Deputy Base Commander to file a report to the MOD.

Ridpath brought the radiation readings into it.

'Nick Pope tried to maintain that there was something unusual about the radiation readings at Rendlesham, despite the fact that it has been publicly demonstrated to him that they were quite normalThe business of the radiation is rather technical, and has been misunderstood by many people.

The demonstration that the radiation readings are unremarkable was given by Frank Close on the "Strange But True" programme....'

No offense to Ridpath, but as a researcher myself, I don't pay too much attention to TV shows on this subject. Give me the facts please.

I asked Nick Pope for a quote about the readings.

"With regard to the radiation readings. I agree that the radiation levels were harmless, and I have never claimed otherwise. However, the levels recorded were ten times what is normal for the area, and peaked at the alleged landing site. Whilst working for Sec (AS) at the Ministry of Defence, I checked this with the Defence Radiological Protection Service, attached to Haslar, the Institute of Naval Medicine. This was an official assessment, and is not in dispute."

It's interesting to note that in the last few months many new witnesses have come forward, and although it's a long way from being solved, we now have a better picture of events during that period. I personally have been quietly researching this case and have been in contact with several ex personnel from the bases, and if their stories are true, then we looking at more than the (Dec 1980) incidents spanning a period of time. Jenny Randles confirms that she too has received reports of more than the actual famed incidents

Another interesting factor is that there appears to have been an incident occur at RAF Watton at the same time - on December 27 1980. This has been reported to me by an ex-RAF chap stationed at the base who claims he witnessed the incident.

One thing is certain however, Rendlesham is not yet unravelled.

Says Jenny Randles:

"Indeed, in my opinion, this case is far from being dead, and still poses a number of very important pieces of evidence that both the sceptics and James Easton have not even addressed. Unless, and until they can come up with reasonable explanations for those various significant pieces of hard evidence - it is premature to conclude, as they seem to be doing, that they have resolved the case."

Georgina Bruni, April 30 1998

MIND-SETS

by Dave Baker

One of the major problems dogging the subject of ufology is the vast array of ideas and personalities that work within it. There are undoubtedly clashes, with more name-calling and back-stabbing than in the entire run of 'Dallas,' but nowhere near as funny. More fool them. Here at YUFOS, though, we try to keep out of the bickering and observe from afar, trying to take no sides but listen to the opinions and hypothesis of all proponents in this complex puzzle. Aside from the personality clashes and fallings out over real or imagined slights, it really is the inability to accept another researcher's viewpoint that is the stumbling block.

'Down to Earth' researchers such as Paul Devereux, Andy Roberts, Dave Clarke, Peter Brookesmith, Kevin McClure etc live in a world of crop-circle hoaxers, earth-lights, temporal-lobe epilepsy and pollen allergies. They make no bones that they believe the proponents of the ET, Alien Abduction and Animal Mutilation hypotheses to be childishy naive, hopeless mad, or greedily opportunistic.

In return, the world of Omar Fowler, Max Burns, Linda Moulton-Howe, Timothy Good etc is teeming with Greys and Reptiloids, covert inner-governments, alien-hybrids and Blue-beret Crash-Retrieval teams. They, in turn consider the 'Down To Earthers' to be bullishly closed -minded, evil MI5 agents, or greedily opportunistic.

Whose side are *you* on? According to many ufologists, if you're not with 'em, you're against 'em. You see, you either BELIEVE or you don't....

No. Not really guys. We're not talking football teams here. Things are not that simple. Okay, *some* researchers are in it for the money, *some* are a little un-hinged, *some* are gullible fools and *some* are irredeemably skeptical that anything unusual or unearthly is happening at all. *Some*. But not all ET-researchers are crazy money-grabbers and not all skeptics are aloof ignoramuses.

Some would say that I have no right to comment on any of this as I am a newcomer to the field with only a handful of cases under my belt. True enough. However, as an 'armchair researcher', I have studied the subject for over twenty years, and have attempted to keep a *truly* open mind. Regarding the work and theories of others. I see myself as a juror in a court case. I may not have any tangible evidence myself, but I sit back and let the others, be they Stanton Friedman or Tim Matthews -present their evidence to me. Come on guys - convince me that *your* theory is the right one....

For example, I have read two reports on the so-called Yorkshire UFO-Crash: the Dave Clarke version as printed in YUFOS and "The Sheffield Incident" by Max Burns, which has appeared on the internet. In my opinion, Dave Clarke has the true version of events- that the 'UFOs' and 'ghost-planes' witnessed on that night were RAF aircraft on secret manoeuvres. However, this does not mean that ALL unsolved UFO sightings are RAF aircraft on secret manoeuvres, and I'm sure Dave Clarke will agree.

I do not believe that everything Kevin Randle or Stanton Friedman say happened at Roswell, happened as they say it did- but I sure as hell do not believe the Air Force version either.

Abduction researchers and abduction researcher *researchers*, such as Peter Brookesmith and Kevin McClure are at loggerheads over what the abduction phenomenon is. John Mack has it that mystical entities are insinuating themselves into our reality to guide us spiritually onto the next step of evolution. Brookesmith and McClure think abductees are at worst liars, at best unfortunate individuals with psychiatric problems led astray and (intentionally or unintentionally), exploited by abduction researchers feeding into their fantasy.

So who's right? Perhaps both, perhaps neither. At present I am working with a young man who believes he has been repeatedly abducted. No hypnosis, no 'relaxation techniques', just simple recollections of conscious memories. At the moment, all I can be certain of is that this man is telling the truth as he believes it. Aliens may not be snatching him from his bed at night- we have no proof of that. But I do believe that something is happening to him, something more than Susan Blackmore's beloved sleep paralysis. *(More, as they say, when we have it.)*

The major factor is that which author Jim Marrs calls 'Mindsets' - a series of pre-conceived judgements and beliefs that blinker ones opinions and views on the subject, no matter the evidence pro or con. You know the type -

"UFOs perform feats that 'no craft on earth' can perform, and there just has to be life elsewhere in the Universe, so therefore UFOs are alien craft."

Or...

"Science cannot prove it and reproduce it in the laboratory, so it doesn't exist, and hey, everyone knows that aliens don't exist, don't they?"

One of the most hotly contested facets of the UFO subject is the authenticity of UFO photographs. Some claim that there are hundreds of photographs and videos which simply *prove* that UFOs exist. Others hotly contest even one photo. Dave Clarke once asked why there are no close-up, convincing photographs of structured, 'nuts 'n' bolts' UFOs - all existing photos are either misidentifications, hoaxes, or in the case of photos he showed which he believed were genuine, earth-lights. His answer was frank, blunt and certainly thought-provoking - that no real photos exist because *UFOs* of that ilk do not exist.

Fair enough. Tim Matthews has done extensive work which suggests that the majority of UFOs - be they Flying Triangles, discs, cigars etc are actually 'Man Made UFOs' - 'Black Project' military craft of a wide and varied nature, from the saucer of *Project Silverbug*, to vast ultra-sophisticated airships capable of carrying troops, equipment, and even vehicles.

However, we can't change the logic to fit our ideals, so we have to ask why there are no close-up, convincing 'witness' photographs of these secret craft, if they truly are

being tested so often and so widely? If these craft have been tested since before 1945, surely there should be a wide array of convincing photographic and film evidence?

Well, Tim does show some photographs in his lectures, including a snap of an airship. No-one questions their authenticity, and in fact some will claim that perhaps some 'alien UFO' pictures are actually Man-Made UFOs....But there are no real UFO photos are there....?

A perfect example is the famous McMinnville photograph taken by farmer Paul Trent, still in dispute after decades. Ground Saucer Watch did a number of computer enhancements which they claimed showed the disc to be a large, structured object, with no trace of wires, or anything else pertaining to a hoax. The Alien Watchers saw this as an alien craft because we didn't have anything like that at the time (or even now). Skeptics, however believed the photos to be fake because, again, we don't have anything like that and never did, and besides, shadows on the photo prove that the snap was taken at a completely different time of day than Trent claimed.

However, since the de-classification of the *Project Silverbug* documents, Tim Matthews has pointed out that the McMinnville disc is remarkably similar to the *Silverbug* craft, and the time scale is about right too. So could the McMinnville disc be at least one photo of a Man Made UFO? Of course it could and all of a sudden, the McMinnville photo is considered genuine by the skeptics. Forget about those damning shadows -they no longer matter. Because now that the craft can exist, it does exist. In other words, now that the picture can fit into their mindset, the reality of the evidence changes.

ET proponents accept the MJ-12 papers as real, leaked documents...they simply couldn't be faked. But the de-classified Project Silverbug document is 'disinformation'.....

What we have to do is throw off these restrictions of the mindsets, and look at all evidence clearly and cleanly. If some vital evidence long considered a sacred cow in the proof of alien existence is suddenly called into question, don't see this as further proof of a deep conspiracy by the NWO to 'bury the truth'. Wrong information is not always dis-information.

Similarly, when a UFO report refuses to be explained as a military craft, neurological complaint, ball-lightening or Venus, don't challenge the veracity of the witness, or shove the entire thing to the bottom of the pile where no-one will see it. Absence of evidence is not always evidence of absence.

We must hide our disdain or disagreement with 'the other side's views' and work together as a whole. Why can't Omar Fowler and Tim Matthews share their Flying Triangle information? Why can't Kevin Randle and Stanton Friedman work together to finally find the truth about Roswell?

Mind-sets. Personalities. Views.

We must get past these to get to the truth.

REVIEWS

Close Encounters of the Fourth Kind

by C.D.B. BRIAN

reviewed by Richard Moss

I found this book to be an interesting read, if a little heavy going in places. The book is essentially split into two sections. The first is a transcript of the 1992 M.I.T. Conference on Alien Abductions which was attended by Budd Hopkins, John E. Mack and the like.

Some very interesting facts and figures came out along with evidence which was deliberately withheld by research networks so that it could be used as a test on possible abductees to determine whether they are lying or not.

The second half of the book is the most interesting, being a collection of hypnotic regression sessions (say that after a few pints) on two women who have had many abduction experiences. The writing is very report-like and little theorising is done by the author leaving the reader to make up their own mind.

Alien Agenda

by Jim Marrs

Harper Collins p/b £6.99

reviewed by Dave Baker

Jim Marrs, the author of "Crossfire", (which Oliver Stone used as a basis for the film "JFK") is obviously no stranger to conspiracies and cover-ups and leads the reader on an exhaustive journey

through the history of ufology and related subjects.

For anyone wishing to 'catch up', this is an excellent read, detailing Nazi UFOs, MJ-12, contactees, animal mutilations, crop circles, remote viewing and the New World Order along the way.

The more experienced reader will be aware of many topics, but Marrs adds lesser known facts and figures that will keep even the more jaded reader hooked.

Although the title betrays Marrs' prejudice to the 'Alien Question', he shows both sides of all arguments, pro and con, without stuffing his conclusions down the reader's throat.

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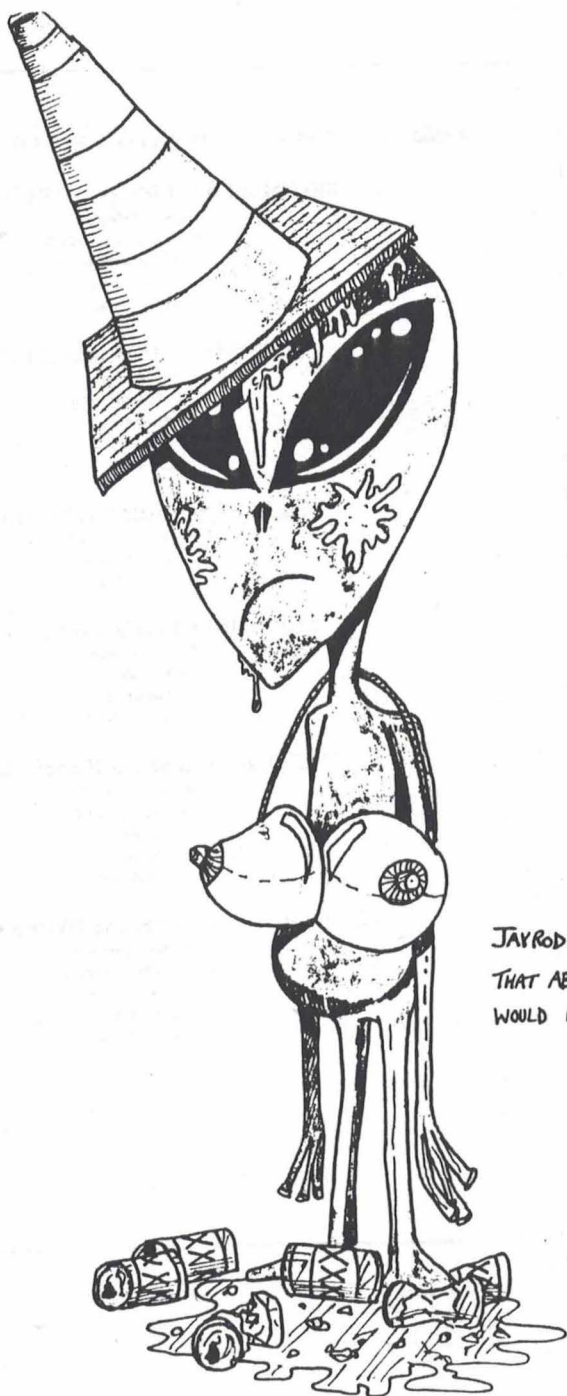
Barnes & Noble £4.99/ 184 pages

reviewed by Dave Baker

This large format book was originally printed in July 1964 by NICAP (National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomenon). Reprinted in 1997, this classic book is available from 'discount book shops', and should, by law be on the bookshelf of every student of the UFO phenomenon.

Crammed full of reports, diagrams, witness illustrations, documents and files, it charts an authoritative study of thousands of UFO reports investigated by NICAP up to 1963.

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